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1 HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION

2 WHEREAS, It is highly fitting that we honor and remember
3 those public servants who contributed to the betterment of the
4 State of Illinois; and

5 WHEREAS, Sheriff Terry Marketti was born in Joliet in 1956
6 and passed away on December 14, 2012; and

7 WHEREAS, Sheriff Marketti's parents were Charles C. and
8 Matilda "Tillie" Marketti; he grew up with 2 brothers, Charles
9 and Rick; and

10 WHEREAS, Sheriff Marketti dedicated his life to serving the
11 communities of Grundy County, winning his first elected
12 position at the age of 18 on the South Wilmington Village
13 Board, where he served for 22 years; and

14 WHEREAS, Sheriff Marketti served with the Grundy County
15 Sheriff's Department for 35 years; he rose from Chief Deputy to
16 Sheriff by appointment in March of 2004 following the sudden
17 death of Sheriff Jim Olson; he would go on to win re-election
18 as Sheriff 3 more times, running once unopposed; and

19 WHEREAS, Sheriff Marketti also served on numerous boards
20 for charities and other local organizations throughout his

1 life, including Big Brothers Big Sisters of Will and Grundy
2 Counties, Grundy Area P.A.D.S. (Public Action to Deliver
3 Shelter), the Community Foundation of Grundy County, the Grundy
4 Economic Development Council, Breaking Away, the Gardner
5 Village Board, the No Tolerance Task Force, the Grundy County
6 Emergency Telephone Systems Board, Operation St. Nick, We Care
7 of Grundy County, and many others; and

8 WHEREAS, Sheriff Marketti was also a member of the St.
9 Lawrence Catholic Church in South Wilmington, where those who
10 knew him best described him as a generous soul; he was known to
11 donate to many local charities, non-profit organizations, and
12 individuals; and

13 WHEREAS, Sheriff Marketti was dearly loved by his family
14 and friends, was highly respected in law enforcement, and had a
15 generosity that was legendary throughout the community; and

16 WHEREAS, Sheriff Marketti was instrumental in establishing
17 a 911 dispatch center near the junction of Illinois Route 47
18 and Illinois Route 113 that has greatly benefited the
19 surrounding communities and saved countless lives; therefore,
20 be it

21 RESOLVED, BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE
22 NINETY-NINTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, THE

1 SENATE CONCURRING HEREIN, that we designate the section of
2 Illinois Route 47 from Spring Road to DuPont Road in Grundy
3 County as the "Sheriff Terry Marketti Memorial Highway"; and be
4 it further

5 RESOLVED, That the Illinois Department of Transportation
6 is requested to erect at suitable locations, consistent with
7 State and federal regulations, appropriate plaques or signs
8 giving notice of the name the "Sheriff Terry Marketti Memorial
9 Highway"; and be it further

10 RESOLVED, That suitable copies of this resolution be
11 presented to the Secretary of the Department of Transportation
12 and the family of Sheriff Marketti.